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CARDINAL BELLARMI COUNCIL # 4849

JANUARY 2018

MONTHLY EVENTS

1/3/2018	Council Business Meeting	Holy Angels - Connor Hall 7:30pm
1/9/2018	Admission/1st Degree	Holy Angels - Connor Hall
1/15/2018	Free Throw Contest	Holy Angels School Gym 2:30
1/16/2018	Assembly Meeting	Riverview Banquets in Batavia 7:30pm
10/19/2017	Council Planning Meeting	Holy Angels - Connor Hall 7:30pm
2/3/2018	Waterleaf Banquet	6:00pm contact PGK Simmons for details

Please visit the web for complete Calendar of events with updates: www.kofc4849.net

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Principles of the Order

**Charity
Unity
Fraternity
Patriotism**



Council Directors

<u>Membership Director</u>	<u>Program Director</u>	
Rick Marsh	Rick Marsh	
<u>Recruitment</u>	<u>Church</u>	<u>Open</u>
All Members	<u>Community</u>	Dean Myles Scott Tellman
<u>Retention</u>	<u>Council</u>	<u>Open</u>
Rick Marsh (Chair)	<u>Family</u>	<u>Open</u>
<u>Public Information Officer</u>	<u>Culture of Life</u>	Chuck Jones
Pat Gengler	<u>Youth</u>	<u>Open</u>

Grand Knight Line

**Cardinal Bellarmine
Council 4849**

2017 - 2018 Officers

Grand Knight

Norb Rozanski

Chaplain

Rev. Michael G. Lavan

Assistant Chaplain

Deacon Tom Hawksworth

Deputy Grand Knight

Bill Laudando (Interim)

Chancellor

Bill Dugan

Recorder

Robert Decker

Financial Secretary

Rick Marsh

Treasurer

Ray Froehlich

Lecturer

Marty Wolding

Advocate

Mike Berry

Warden

Darrel Bancroft

Inside Guards

Mike Butler

Jose Chavarria

Outside Guard

Joe Peters

Council Greeter

Paul Fleming

Trustees

Joe Didier

Matt Guthrie, PGK

Thomas Wright, PGK

District Deputy

Carl Christensen

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Field Agent**

Stewart Mattson

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*The publication will be
monthly for the
Cardinal Bellarmine Council.
The deadline for an article*

Grand Knight Line: January, 2018

Dear Brothers,

We didn't have a "Grand Knight" letter in December because there really wasn't a lot of new things to report to you and I thought you'd like a break from all the newsletters, emails, etc.

However, now it is 2018 and we have a new year to set new goals and to accomplish different projects. As you know, we are in the planning stages of our Lenten Fish Dinners. These run for six weeks during Lent and YOUR help is needed either in setting up (about 2:30 or sooner) on the Fridays, helping to serve the meals, helping to sell the meal/drink/dessert tickets, helping to clean up and doing what you can to promote this event.

This year we will be helping the Dominican sisters with some of the proceeds from these meals. The exact percentage or amount has not been set as of this writing, but as you know, the Nuns gave many great years of service to our school and now they, like so many other organizations, are hurting for funds. Whatever we decide to give them will be appreciated. Also, as of this date, we need some group (perhaps Scouts if we can't find enough Knights to do this) to sell the pop/water. The Lady Bellarmine women will be doing the desserts for us again this year.

What I'm asking **YOU** and your family to do is attend at least one of these six weeks to support the Nuns and to do all you can to encourage your friends, family and neighbors to attend. Remember, after every Friday, the Stations of the Cross are said in the Church at approximately 6:30 p.m.

I hope you can do all you can to get to this event.

Start thinking if you want to be an officer in the coming year. Almost all positions will be open and we need new faces to take over so our Council continues. The following information was in the last newsletter but it bears restating:

If you read the article put out by the Knights of Columbus, you realize that we (the Council and the Knights of Columbus themselves) only want 24 hours of your time—that's ONE day in a year!

This is what we ask:

8 hours doing charitable projects. Helping at the ID Drive, Lenten Fish Dinners or the Pasta for Priesthood are some examples.

4 hours in Council social functions.

4 hours in attending meetings (Planning and/or Business)

6 hours reading material from the Knights of Columbus.

1 hour talking to our insurance representative. Our agent is Stewart Mattson 630-207-5927.

1 hour attending Mass as a Council.

Thank you and may 2018 be a better year for all of us. Pray for our Country, pray for world peace and please pray for our Council.

As we move into this New Year, I would like to thank all the Brothers who have helped us with any event this year. From the Pancake Breakfasts to the Coat Drive, Hospitality dates, ID drive and other functions...your helpfulness and time are truly appreciated.

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Deacon's Beacon

Dear Brother Knights,

Following is a column from 2004 relating to "wisdom and understanding;" may it provide guidance for each of us:

Have you ever had a time or a "moment" when it seemed as though the Holy Spirit was right there with you, giving you a special teaching, an important message, and not only for you but to be shared with others? I experienced one of those times last Saturday morning while gathered with other Catholic men for prayer, Scripture and sharing. The "moment" I'm referring to came about while we read the First Reading for Saturday from 1 Kings 3: 4-13. This scripture tells of King David's (the David we first heard about in the story of David & Goliath) son Solomon becoming king of Israel after his father's death.

Following is a portion of the reading for your reflection; see what It says to you:

"Solomon loved the Lord, ...the Lord appeared to Solomon in a dream at night. God said, 'Ask something of me and I will give it to you. Solomon answered:' ...Give your servant, therefore, an understanding heart to judge your people and to distinguish right from wrong. ...The Lord was pleased that Solomon made this request. So God said to him: 'Because you have asked for this - not for a long life for yourself, nor for riches, nor for the life of your enemies, but for understanding, so that you may know what is right - I do as you requested. I give you a heart so wise and understanding that there has never been anyone like you up to now, and after you there will come no one to equal you.

In addition, I give you what you have not asked for, such riches and glory that among kings there is not your like. And if you follow me by keeping my statutes and commandments, as your father David did, I will give you a long life."

How about that! I believe there's a powerful lesson here for all of us; it's not only for government leaders. Each of us is a "leader" in one way or another and isn't it so very important that we be able "to distinguish right from wrong." That's not always easy to do these days in this culture in which we live, an culture that seems to be more confusing or confused on a daily basis; need I list all the examples that tell us "wrong" is OK and "right" is to be laughed at and ignored? And look how the Lord blessed Solomon when his request reflected no selfishness but only humility in wanting "an understanding heart" to distinguish right from wrong in ruling the people of Israel. He received a "bonus" that he didn't even know was available.

And so, also, it can be for each of us if we endeavor to walk on the right path, living in accord with the statutes and commandments of God. May each of us pray for the "right" things and especially, as Solomon prayed, for an understanding heart to distinguish right from wrong. Let's be sure to keep each other in prayer.

"Do not conform yourself to this age but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and pleasing and perfect."

- Romans 12: 2

Deacon Tom Hawksworth

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Membership News

So what does the Knight of Columbus do is a question most people ask. Well here is what we do.

The Knights of Columbus is giving a 30-day supply of food to 12,000 displaced or formerly displaced Christian families in northern Iraq to coincide with Christmas.

“The Knights of Columbus is pleased to help bring a Merry Christmas to those displaced by ISIS or now returning home to recently liberated areas,” said Supreme Knight Carl Anderson. “These Christians have lost everything for their faith, and we want them to know that they are not forgotten and that their sacrifices inspire us in our own faith.”

Valued at \$840,000, the Christmas baskets contain food staples such as wheat, rice, beans and meat, along with cleaning supplies. With the assistance of the Chaldean Catholic Archdiocese of Erbil, the Knights’ gift will continue to be distributed to Syriac Catholic, Syriac Orthodox and Chaldean Catholic families, as well as Yazidis.

“Even though we are still in a time of great uncertainty, the knowledge that our brothers in the Knights of Columbus are in solidarity with us, especially at this time of year, brings great comfort,” said Archbishop Bashar Matti Warda of Erbil. “God bless them all.”

The Knights of Columbus has committed more than \$17 million in aid to Christians and other religious minorities in the region since 2014.

“We will be able to celebrate a true Christmas in our ancient Christian town of Karamles for the first time in years,” said Father Thabet Habib Yousif, parish priest of the town, which is located on the Nineveh Plain

New State Membership Director:

John P Dehm
(815) 546-7526 Cell

Degree

Are you a Knighthood Degree member?
If not, you can easily become one by taking your Formation and Knighthood Degrees.

The next Degree(s) are scheduled:

For more details, www.illinoisknights.org

1/9/2018 at #4849 in Aurora, IL

Training

KC Academy

The K.C. Academy is proud to present a training session on:

Council Officer Training, Financial Officer Training, and Knight Mentoring

Think about hosting one in our Council.

Choose your topic of choice and invite other Councils.

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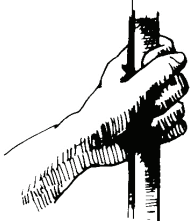


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In Service to All*



**We're on the Web:
www.kofc4849.net**

**THE NATURAL
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IS LIFE!**



MEN'S CURSILLO WEEKEND

THE CURSILLO WEEKEND?

During the three days of the Cursillo weekend from Thursday evening to Sunday evening, people from all walks of life grow close to one another. Religious and lay people form a living, working Christian community to gain a deep awareness of the treasures and responsibility of their faith. The goal of the Cursillo weekend is to give those who make it a new understanding of Jesus Christ, the basic Christian truths, and the desire to serve the church.

The Cursillo weekend is a blend of seriousness, light heartedness, spiritual exercises, talks and discussions. The teachings of Christ are discussed within an atmosphere of joy and song. There are meditations and talks by priests and laymen, and everyone making the Cursillo weekend is urged to participate by taking notes, discussing, and even by making drawings that illustrate major points.

The Cursillo weekend ends at the close of the three days. However, the whole point of the Cursillo movement is that ordinary people can steadily grow in the love and service of God and man for the rest of their lives. Christian growth is not easy, but the Cursillo weekend provides a framework for it, both during the three days and afterwards. In the Post-Cursillo, emphasis is on maintaining a vibrant and growing Christian community, thus springs the apostolic action required to make ours a better world to live in.

For many, a Cursillo weekend is a new awakening to a deeper friendship with Christ.

WEEKEND INFORMATION

For those Cursillistas who would love to come back and serve on a Cursillo weekend the Rockford Diocese holds weekends twice a year, once in the fall and spring for both men and women.

All weekends are held at:

St. Mary's Parish Community Center
881 North Mongan Drive
Oregon, Illinois 61061

January (Building the Domestic Church)

From Pope John Paul II's Familiaris Consortio

Family prayer has its own characteristic qualities. It is prayer offered in common, husband and wife together, parents and children together. Communion in prayer is both a consequence of and a requirement for the communion bestowed by the sacraments of Baptism and Matrimony. The words with which the Lord Jesus promises His presence can be applied to the members of the Christian family in a special way: "Again I say to you, if two of you agree on earth about anything they ask, it will be done for them by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I in the midst of them."

Family prayer has for its very own object family life itself, which in all its varying circumstances is seen as a call from God and lived as a filial response to His call. Joys and sorrows, hopes and disappointments, births and birthday celebrations, wedding anniversaries of the parents, departures, separations and homecomings, important and far-reaching decisions, the death of those who are dear, etc. — all of these mark God's loving intervention in the family's history. They should be seen as suitable moments for thanksgiving, for petition, for trusting abandonment of the family into the hands of their common Father in heaven. The dignity and responsibility of the Christian family as the domestic Church can be achieved only with God's unceasing aid, which will surely be granted if it is humbly and trustingly petitioned in prayer.

ADORATION AT HOLY ANGELS

Wednesdays starting after 8:00am Mass and ending before 8:00am Mass on Thursday morning. Check the book outside the chapel for open times or join others in this most blessed opportunity.

Contact Flo Askew, Call 630-844-9370

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4th Degree - Marquette Assembly #188

Meetings are held on the Third Tuesday of each month at
Riverview Banquets, 1117 N Washington Ave, Batavia, IL

Time: 7:30pm

Color Corp Training is held twice monthly

- 1) 1st session is the second Wednesday of each month at 6:30pm in the Dining Hall at Marmion Academy 1000 Butterfield Road, Aurora
- 2) 2nd session is preceding the monthly member meetings on the Third Tuesday of each month at 6:30pm

Check out our new website at:

www.marquetteassembly188.org

Uniform and Supplies for Assembly

<http://www.kofcsupplies.com>

<http://www.lynchkelly.com>

New Uniform (Effective 7/2018):

<http://www.knightsgear.com/regalia>



Rockford Chapter

Meetings are held Quarterly in January, April, July and October on the 4th Wednesday of the month at 7:30pm. Meetings are started with Mass.

Current Chapter Officers can be viewed at:

www.illinoisknights.org

Support Vocations

COUNCIL APPAREL

Golf Polo Shirt (No Pocket) \$36

Pocket Polo Shirt \$36

Long Sleeve Shirt \$39

Screenprint T-Shirt \$9



Contact: Ray Froehlich

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Squires Circle

Under the guidance of Christian Brother Barnabas McDonald (1865-1929), the first Columbian Squires circle was instituted in 1925. Membership in the Squires is for Catholic boys between the ages of 10 and 18. Squires' activities are many, varying from spiritual to active service for the Church and community. Each circle elects officer members from their own rank, teaching skills of leadership and responsibility.

Our Circle is #5658

For more information contact: Stan Rocush, sfrocush@msn.com

Business Meeting

2nd Tuesday of the Month

Advancement Meeting

3rd Tuesday of the Month

Social Meeting

Last Friday of the Month

This may be postponed during the summer sessions



Family and Knights

Let's recognize our Brother Knights and their Families!

We have renewed our Knight of the Month/Year and Family of the Month/Year program.

We need your recommendation for the Knight and/or the family that has made significant contributions to the church, community, and/or council.

We now only require that you visit the new website at:

www.kofc4849.net

The next step is to scroll down to the bottom of the page and click this link.

**MAKE YOUR NOMINATIONS
FOR FAMILY & KNIGHT OF THE MONTH**

Then using your member number to login, make your selections from the list. You can type up a reason for your choice and vote for one or both, Knight and Family of the Month.

Please try to do this monthly to help make this program a success.